

Table 3-2. Live Births and Birth Rates: American Samoa, 1997-2002, and Northern Marianas,1998-2002

(Rates per 1,000 total population in each area. The rates in this table for 1997-99 are based on postcensal population estimates consistent with the 1990 census. These rates will be revised based on the results of the 2000 census when population data in the necessary detail become available.)

Year	American Samoa		Northern Marianas	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
2002.....	1,627	28.2	1,290	17.4
2001.....	1,655	28.8	1,449	20.2
2000.....	1,731	30.2	1,431	20.5
1999.....	1,736	27.2	1,381	20.0
1998.....	1,688	27.2	1,462	21.9
1997.....	1,634	27.1	---	---

--- Data not available.